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the amendment. I don't necessarily oppose what you're attempting to do and discuss under this particular proposal because we knew it was controversial and that's one of the reasons we ended up with two or three different options for that kind of decision making between the high school board and the local board. So, I think that there are some things that can be brought together and that we can all agree make it better without leaving only that one choice. Again, that's the reason I oppose the Jones amendment and I think that that kind of agreement can be reached. But I think we need to go back to that discussion of why we put multiple choices in this section, knowing that there would be different circumstances, and try to find some agreement that, I think, does what Senator Jones wants to do, but also allows for some diversity and some choice based on different situations with Class Is across the state. Thank you, Madam President.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator McKenzie. Senator Wickersham.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Thank you, Madam President. I'm happy that I'm following Senator McKenzie because she made some remarks that I think require an immediate response from someone who serves on both the Education Committee and the Revenue Committee. Senator McKenzie said that last year, as we were debating 1114, there was no sympathy shown for the plight of small municipalities and that she voted for amendments that would have given them different levying capacities to recognize their special situations. I would agree with part of what she said because those are facts, but the issue of whether or not there was any sympathy in this body for the plight of the small communities, the small municipalities, or whether the Revenue Committee rather than this body fixed that policy, I disagree with because the Revenue Committee merely brought to this body proposals, and they were voted on by all of us. They were not voted on solely by the Revenue Committee, and even within the Revenue Committee I can tell you that the discussion was not cold-hearted toward the small municipalities of this state, and it's not cold-hearted now. And in fact, if you'll examine the committee proposals this year, we are bringing to this body some proposals that will, in fact, I think assist some of the small communities. There is not a cold heart in this body toward the